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IN DIGITAL DATA

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Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action dated December 31, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in light of the following amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 121 and 128 and amend the claims as follows:

112. (Amended) A device for inserting data into digital data, the device comprising:

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